THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRI KALPNATH RAI): (a) A 672 MW Gas Turbine Station is functioning at Uran under the Maharashtra State Electricity Board.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

White Paper on Public Sector

642. SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY:
SARDAR JAGJIT SINGH AURORA:
SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA:
SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA:

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether a final draft of a White Paper on public sector has since been prepared;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) by when the same will be made public?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a) to (c). White Paper on Public Sector is still under consideration of the Government and will be placed before Parliament as and when it is finalised.

Implementation of Silent Valley Project

643. SHRI ARANGIL SREEDHARAN: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to revive the Silent Valley Project in Kerala so that the hydro-electric project at Attapady in Palghat can be implemented to supplement the present power needs of the State which is facing an acute power shortage;

(b) whether Government are aware of the popular upsurge for this immediate project and whether Central Government has received any fresh proposal from Kerala Government in this regard; and

(c) what immediate steps are being taken to implement this important project?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRI KALPNATH RAI): (a) to (c). No fresh proposal has been received from Government of Kerala/Kerala State Electricity Board in the Central Electricity Authority for revival of Silent Valley Project in Kerala.

Setting up of Super Thermal Power Plant during Seventh Plan

644. SHRI JAGADISH JANI: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether National Thermal Power Corporation have a proposal to set up some Super Thermal Power Plant during the remaining period of the Seventh Five Year Plan; and

(b) if so, the details of the cost, capacity and location of the proposed Super Thermal Power Plant?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER IN THE